APPENDIX I:

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

Cancel Claims 16 to 22, and amend Claims 1, 7 and 10, as indicated in the following listing of the claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of increasing and qualitatively modifying the content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents in a plant selected from grapevines, cherries, plums, sloes, blueberries, strawberries, citrus fruit, pawpaw, red cabbage, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, kale, carrots, parsley, celery/celeriac, onions, garlic, tea, coffee, cacao, maté, and hops, soya, oilseed rape, Aronia melanocarpa or Ginkgo biloba, which comprises treating the plant with an acylcy-clohexanedione of the formula I

where R is hydrogen or $C_1-C_6-alkyl$ and R' is $C_1-C_6-alkyl$ or $C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl$, or with a suitable salt of I,

thereby giving the plant an increased and qualitatively modified content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents compared to an untreated plant

2. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the plant is treated with an acylcyclohexadione of the formula II and/or the formula III

- 3. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents of grapevines is increased and qualitatively modified.
- 4. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the content of flavonoids with an unsubstituted C atom in the 3-position, and of the oligomers and polymers of these flavonoids, is increased.

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- 5. (canceled)
- 6. (previously presented) A wine grape extract, wine grape juice, wine or wine grape press cake comprising flavonoids and other phenolic constituents obtained from grapes of a graprevine plant of a red grapevine variety, the grapevine plant previously having been treated with at least one acylcyclohexanedione of the formula I

$$\bigcap_{\mathsf{RO}} \bigcap_{\mathsf{O}} \bigcap_{\mathsf{R'}} (\mathsf{I})$$

where R is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl and R' is C_1 - C_6 -alkyl or C_3 - C_6 -cycloalkyl, or with a suitable salt of I, such that the content of flavonoids and other phenolic constituents of the grapevine has been increased and qualitatively modified.

7. (currently amended) A composition for treating illnesses associated with human or animal health, health-promoting composition or tonic for humans and animals, or a cosmetic comprising a plant selected from grapevines, cherries, plums, sloes, blueberries, strawberries, citrus fruit, pawpaw, red cabbage, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, kale, carrots, parsley, celery/celeriac, onions, garlic, tea, coffee, cacao, maté, and hops, soya, oilseed rape, oats, wheat, rye, Aronia melanecarpa and Ginkgo biloba, or a part of the plant or a product prepared with the plant selected from juices, teas, extracts, fermentation products and fermentation residues, wherein said plant has been treated with the acylcyclohexanedione of the formula I

where R is hydrogen or $C_1-C_6-alkyl$ and R' is $C_1-C_6-alkyl$ or $C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl$, or with a suitable salt of I.

- 8. (canceled)
- 9. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the plant is a grapevine.

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- 10. (currently amended) A method for producing a plant preparation with an increased and qualitatively modified content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents, which method comprises
 - (1) treating a plant selected from from grapevines, cherries, plums, sloes, blueberries, strawberries, citrus fruit, pawpaw, red cabbage, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, kale, carrots, parsley, celery/celeriac, onions, garlic, tea, coffee, cacao, maté, and hops, soya, oilseed rape, Aronia melanocarpa or Ginkgo biloba, with an acylcy-clohexanedione of formula I

where R is hydrogen or C_1-C_6 -alkyl and R' is C_1-C_6 -alkyl or C_3-C_6 -cycloalkyl, or with a suitable salt of I; and

- (2) harvesting and processing the plant or parts of the plant to obtain a plant preparation which has an increased and qualitatively modified content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents.
- 11. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the plant is treated in step (1) with an acylcyclohexanedione of formula II and/or formula III

- 12. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, where a plant preparation with an increased content of flavonoids with an unsubstituted C-atom in the 3-position, and of the oligomers and polymers of these flavonoids, is obtained.
- 13. (canceled)
- 14. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the plant is a grapevine.
- 15. (previously presented) The composition or tonic as claimed in claim 7, wherein, after having been treated with the acylcyclohexane-

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dione, the plant or parts of the plant have been harvested and processed to obtain said composition or tonic.

16. - 22. (canceled)

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